

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-16. (Cancelled)

17. (New) A method of manufacturing a circuit forming board, comprising:
impregnating an elongated reinforcing member with impregnation material, the reinforcing member extending in a first direction;
transferring the reinforcing member in a second direction such that the first direction of the reinforcing member is parallel to the second direction,
wherein said impregnating of the elongated reinforcing member with impregnation material occurs simultaneously with said transferring of the reinforcing member in the second direction;
adhering films directly onto an upper surface and a lower surface, respectively, of the reinforcing member so as to be entirely peelable off of the upper and lower surfaces of the reinforcing member; and
transferring the reinforcing member in a third direction orthogonal to the first direction of the reinforcing member,
wherein said adhering of the films directly onto the upper surface and the lower surface, respectively, of the reinforcing member occurs simultaneously with said transferring of the reinforcing member in the third direction orthogonal to the first direction of the reinforcing member.

18. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein said adhering of the films comprises pressing the films onto the upper surface and the lower surface, respectively, of the reinforcing member with a heated roller.

19. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member comprises woven fabric.

20. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, further comprising:

forming a via-hole in the reinforcing member and the films adhered on the upper surface and the lower surface of the reinforcing member;
filling the via-hole with conductive paste;
peeling off the films from the reinforcing member; and
heating and pressing metallic foils onto the upper surface and the lower surface, respectively, of the reinforcing member after said peeling off of the films.

21. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member has a rectangular shape having a long-side direction and a short-side direction, and the long-side direction is orthogonal to the first direction of the reinforcing member.

22. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member has a side which extends in the first direction.

23. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein said transferring of the reinforcing member in the second direction includes transferring each of a plurality of separate reinforcing member segments in the second direction, each of the plurality of reinforcing member segments extending in the first direction,

wherein said adhering of the films directly onto the upper surface and the lower surface, respectively, of the reinforcing member comprises adhering films onto an upper surface and a lower surface, respectively, of each of the plurality of separate reinforcing member segments, and

wherein said transferring of the reinforcing member in the third direction comprises transferring each of the plurality of separate reinforcing member segments in the third direction.

24. (New) The method as defined in claim 23, wherein said adhering of the films comprises adhering continuous films onto the upper surface and the lower surface, respectively, of each of the plurality of separate reinforcing member segments.

25. (New) The method as defined in claim 23, wherein said impregnating of the

elongated reinforcing member with impregnation material comprises impregnating a fiber sheet with a resin, the method further comprising:

squeezing a part of the impregnated resin such that the impregnated resin is in a semi-cured state after said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin,

wherein said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin occurs simultaneously with said transferring of the reinforcing member in the second direction; and

cutting the fiber sheet into the plurality of separate reinforcing member segments after the impregnated resin is in the semi-cured state.

26. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member is a prepreg sheet.

27. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member comprises a fiber sheet, and wherein said impregnating of the elongated reinforcing member with impregnation material comprises impregnating the fiber sheet with a resin, the method further comprising:

squeezing a part of the impregnated resin,

wherein said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin occurs simultaneously with said transferring of the reinforcing member in the second direction, and

wherein the impregnated resin is in a semi-cured state after said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin.

28. (New) The method as defined in claim 17, wherein the reinforcing member comprises a fiber sheet, and wherein said impregnating of the elongated reinforcing member with impregnation material comprises impregnating the fiber sheet with a resin, the method further comprising:

squeezing a part of the impregnated resin, wherein the impregnated resin is in a semi-cured state after said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin, and wherein said squeezing of the part of the impregnated resin occurs simultaneously with said transferring of the reinforcing member in the second direction; and

cutting the fiber sheet into a plurality of separate reinforcing members after the impregnated resin is in the semi-cured state.